

# **ARIJ Daily Report**

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# Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt

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The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats in the occupied Palestinian territory, the confiscation and razing of lands, the uprooting and destruction of fruit trees, the expansion of settlements and erection of outposts, the brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army, the Israeli settlers violence against Palestinian civilians and properties, the erection of checkpoints, the construction of the Israeli segregation wall and the issuance of military orders for the various Israeli purposes.

The Violations are based on reports provided by field workers and \or news sources.

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# Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked a non-violent protest in Beit 'Awa town, west of Hebron city. Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the IOA, where the IOA fired rubber bullets and teargas grenades, causing dozens of suffocation cases. During the clashes, the IOA shoot and killed Adi Hisham Al Masalmah (24 years). (Wafa & Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Al Issawiya town in Jerusalem city. The IOA fired teargas

grenades and rubber bullets at Palestinians. During the clashes, the IOA arrested four Palestinians after storming their houses. The arrestees were identified as: Abdalla Mustafah, Mohammad Issa Mustafah, Basil Jamal Darwish and his brother Mohammad. (Wattan 20 October 2015)

- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Al Fawar refugee camp, south of Hebron city. The IOA fired live bullets and teargas grenades at Palestinians. During the clashes, an Israeli settler attacked a number of Palestinian vehicles in the aforementioned area. (Raya 20 October 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) at Abu Ar-Riesh military checkpoint in the old city of Hebron.
  The IOA fired rubber bullets and teargas grenades, causing a number of suffocation cases and the injury of others. (ARN 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) confiscated two water tanks from land in Aqraba village, southeast of Nablus city. The IOA claimed that the targeted tanks erected in an area classified as 'closed military zone'. (ARN 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) assaulted and injured Ibrahim Taqatqah from Umm Salamuna village, south of Bethlehem city, after stopping him at a sudden checkpoint erected by the IOA in Za'tara village, southeast of Bethlehem city. (RB2000 20 October 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) at Beit Einun junctions, north of Hebron city. The IOA fired teargas grenades and rubber bullets at Palestinians, causing tens of suffocation cases. The IOA also fired teargas grenades at the Palestinian Ambulances. (Maannews 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) prevented Palestinian landowners and a number of Palestinian volunteers from reaching the land of Beir 'una area in Beit Jala town, west of Bethlehem city, to harvest olive trees. (Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) at the northern entrance of Al Bireh city. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades, causing dozens of suffocation cases. (RB2000 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and searched a Palestinian house in Hebron city, and questioned the residents. The targeted house is owned by the family of the Palestinian martyr Fadel Al Qawasmi. (Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) at the northern entrance of Bethlehem city after the IOA attacked a non-violent protest. The IOA fired teargas and stun grenades and wastewater at Palestinians, causing dozens of suffocation cases and

- the injury of 5 people. During the operation, the IOA occupied the roof of a Palestinian building at the northern entrance of Bethlehem city. (Wafa & RB2000 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shoot and killed Hamza Musa Al 'Amlah (25 years) from Beit Ula town in Hebron governorate, while he was at Gush Etzion junction, south of Bethlehem city. after the operation, the IOA stormed the house owned by the family of the martyr and questioned his father. (Wafa & Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Dozens of Palestinians suffered gas inhalation during clashes that erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in At-Tayba village, west of Jenin city. The IOA fired teargas and sun grenades at Palestinians. (Wafa 20 October 2015)
- Clashes erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Qalqiliyah city. The IOA fired rubber bullets and teargas grenades, causing dozens of suffocation cases and the injury of 5 Palestinians. (Wafa 20 October 2015)
- Two Palestinians were injured during clashes that erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) near Beit Hanun terminal, north of Gaza strip. The IOA fired live bullets and teargas grenades at Palestinians. (Maannews 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shoot and killed Ahmed Sharef As Sarhi (28 years) from Deir Al Balah refugee camp, during clashes that erupted between Palestinians and the IOA near the border fence, east of Al Burij refugee camp in the central of Gaza strip. During the clashes, the IOA fired live bullets and teargas grenades, causing tens of suffocation cases and the injury of 6 Palestinians. (Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) shoot and killed Bashar Nedal Al Ja'bari (15 years) and Hussam Ismail Jamel Al Ja'bari (17 years) while they were near an Israeli military checkpoint erected near Ar Rajabi building, noted that Ar-Rajabi building occupied by the Israeli settlers. (Maannews 20 October 2015)
- Two Palestinians were injured and dozens suffered gas inhalation during clashes that erupted between Palestinians and the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) in Nilin village, west of Ramallah city. The IOA fired live and rubber bullets and teargas grenades at Palestinians. Maannews 20 October 2015)

#### Israeli Arrests

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested 6 Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Hebron city. The arrestees were identified as: Ahmed Mazen Al Karki (17 years), Mus'ab Shaher Awad

- Al Bakri (19 years), Mohammad Sadeq Siyaj (23 years), Mahmoud Aref Ash-Sharbati, Ahmed Majed An-Natsha and Mahmoud Majed An-Natsha. (Al-Quds & Wafa 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Ali Jamal Tmizi (27 years) after raiding his house in Idhna town in Hebron governorate. The IOA transferred the arrestee to unknown location. (Wafa 20 October 2015)
- Undercover Israeli Army kidnapped three Palestinian students from Dar Salah village, east of Bethlehem city. (PNN & RB2000 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mohammad Rakan after storming his house in Ras Al Amoud neighborhood in Silwan town in Jerusalem city. (Maannews 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mahmoud Odeh Areqat from Abu Dis town, east of Jerusalem city. (Maannews 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested four Palestinians after storming and searching their houses in Tuqu village, southeast of Bethlehem city. The arrestees were identified as: Loay (16 years), Mohammad (19 years) and Bilal Habas Dakhlala Al Amour (24 years) and Mohammad Ibrahim Al Amour (21 years). (Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Hassan Yousif; Deputy in the Palestinian Legislative Council, from Ramallah city. (Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Khalil Mahmoud Farahat after storming his house in Al Yamun village, west of Jenin city. (Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinians after storming their houses in Asira Ash-Shamaliya village, northwest of Nablus city. The arrestees were identified as: Nedal Mohammad Daghlas, Ala Awad Sholi and Ahmed Abed Al Hadi Hamadnah. (RB2000 & Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested 6 Palestinians after raiding their houses in Beit Furik village, east of Nablus city. The arrestees were identified as: Iyad Ziyad Hinni, Hamdi Khatatba, Omar Mohammad Omar 'Orabi, Ahmed Warad Khatatba, Ghanem Fawzi Khatatba and Ahmed Rif'at Khatatba. (RB2000 & Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mohammad Ishtiya from Salem village, east of Nablus city. (RB2000 & Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Muntaser Mohammad Raja from Burin village, south of Nablus city. (RB2000 & Al-Quds 20 October 2015)

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested Shukri Qat after storming his house in Madama village, south of Nablus city. (Al-Quds 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) summoned Kamal Khalil Younis, Hussen Mohammad Ash-Shawaheen, Ali Mohammad Ash-Shawaheen and his son Mohammad to interview the Israeli Intelligence Police in Gush Etzion settlement bloc, after storming their houses in Yatta town, south of Hebron city. (Wafa 20 October 2015)

#### Israeli Settler Violence

- Israeli settlers living in Qiryat Arba settlement escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) attacked Palestinian houses located near the aforementioned settlement, east of Hebron city. The targeted houses are owned by Saied and Kayed Dana. (Wattan 20 October 2015)
- Israeli settlers escorted by the Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stormed and toured in the courtyard of Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem city. During the operation, the IOA prevented about 60 Palestinian women from entering the mosque. (PNN 20 October 2015)
- Saqir Mahmoud Hussen Harzalla (14 years) was injured after a number of Israeli settlers living in Mevo Dotan settlement assaulted him while he was harvesting olive trees in his family land which located near the settlement. (Wafa 20 October 2015)
- Israeli settlers demonstrated in the old city of Hebron, chanted anti Palestinian slogans, and attacked Palestinian houses in Wad An-Nasarah area. (Maannews 20 October 2015)

#### Home Demolition & Demolition threats

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) demolished a Palestinian house in Dahit Az-Zaytoun, at the southern part of Hebron city. The targeted house is owned by the family of the Palestinian prisoner in the Israeli Jail Mahir Al Hashlamun. (Al-Quds 20 October 2015)

## Israeli Military Orders

- Israeli Occupation Authorities issued an order to demolish a Palestinian house in Nablus city. The targeted house is owned by the family of a Palestinian prisoner in the Israeli Jail Raghib 'Alawi. (RB2000 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) handed out military orders to demolish a number of tents and barracks in Al Hadidiya area in the northern of Jordan valley. The targeted structures are owned by Lutfi Mohammad

Fahed Bani Odeh and Mohammad Ali Bsharat. (Maannews & Safa 20 October 2015)

### **Erection of Israeli checkpoints**

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected military checkpoints at the entrance of Sair and Halhul towns and at the northern entrance of Hebron city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (Wafa 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a military checkpoint at the southern entrance of Al Khader village, southwest of Bethlehem city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles and checked ID cards. (RB2000 20 October 2015)
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected military checkpoints at the entrance of Al Karmel and Al Markiz village, east of Yatta town, south of Hebron city. The IOA stopped and searched Palestinian vehicles, and detained and assaulted Palestinian workers. (Wafa 20 October 2015)

#### Israeli Closures

• Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) erected a number of cement blocks at the northern entrance of Tuqu village, southeast of Bethlehem city. (RB2000 20 October 2015)

#### Other

Olmert, Sharon, and Barak built more in settlements than I did, Netanyahu says. Attempts to tie Israeli building with the current wave of terror is "patently absurd" and its proponents believe in it with "religious fervor," the premier said. Rejecting suggestions that Israeli expansion of Jewish settlements in the West Bank is responsible for fueling the recent wave of Palestinian violence, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told delegates at the World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem on Tuesday that his administrations have built less aggregate homes beyond the Green Line than his three predecessors -Ehud Olmert, Ariel Sharon, and Ehud Barak. "During my first term as prime minister, we built, on average, 3,000 housing units per year in Judea and Samaria," Netanyahu said. "When Barak was prime minister, he built 5,000 units, Sharon built 1,900 units, and Olmert built 1,700 units." "In light of the circumstances, the average number of housing units built during my terms in office dropped to 1,500 per year," the premier said. "We can have a discussion about this another time, but facts are facts," Netanyahu said. "These numbers are precise. So instead of seeing a rise in settlement construction, there has actually been a drop." In 2010, Netanyahu's government approved a 10-month freeze on construction in the settlements as a gesture to the Palestinian Authority before the start of direct peace negotiations. Attempts to tie Israeli building with the current wave of terror is "patently absurd" and its proponents believe in it with "religious fervor," he asserted, recalling Israel's 2005 unilateral withdrawal from the Gaza strip. Tel Aviv and other cities outside of Judea and Samaria are also considered settlements by the Palestinians, he added. While Netanyahu has a reputation as a strong proponent for settlement expansion, data from the Central Bureau of Statistics indicate that under Netanyahu showed housing starts in West Bank settlements dropped 19 percent and the number of finished settler homes fell 15% when compared with 2003 to 2008. Last week US Secretary of State John Kerry linked settlement building with the current wave of terror attacks here, stating that "there's been a massive increase in settlements over the course of the last few years, and now you have this violence because there's a frustration that is growing." After heated objections from Israel and Jewish groups, the State Department partially walked back Kerry's comments. "The secretary wasn't saying, 'Well now you have the settlement activity as the cause for the effect we're seeing'," a spokesman told The Jerusalem Post. "Is it a source of frustration for Palestinians? You bet it is, and the secretary observed that. But this isn't about affixing blame on either side here for the violence. What we want to see is the violence cease." Netanyahu has blamed the rise in violence on Palestinian incitement generally and on Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas specifically. Speaking on Palestinian Authority television recently, PA President Mahmoud Abbas stated that "we bless every drop of blood that has been spilled for Jerusalem, which is clean and pure blood, blood spilled for Allah, Allah willing.." "The al-Aksa [Mosque] is ours, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre is ours, and they have no right to defile them with their filthy feet. We will not allow them to, and we will do everything in our power to protect Jerusalem." The international community has given the PA a "pass," Netanyahu said Tuesday, asserting that the "core of the conflict" was the Palestinians' "persistent refusal to recognize the Jewish state." "There is no way to battle lies except to tell the truth," he added, saying that a "peace based on lies will crash against the rocks of reality." "We want a real peace" in which Jewish rights are respected, he asserted. "The biggest battle we have to fight is the battle for facts." Israel yesterday came out against a draft resolution brought before the United Nations United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization by several Arab states on behalf of the PA, which declares the Western Wall to be part of the al-Aksa mosque. Speaking to the Zionist delegates, Netanyahu stated that despite the Temple Mount being holy to Jews long before the advent of Islam, Jerusalem has no interest in changing the status quo at the site in which Jewish prayer is forbidden and the Waqf, an Islamic religious endowment, controls day to day operations. He also rejected the claims of the leaders of the Arab world that Israel wants to destroy the al-Aksa Mosque. "This lie has been 100 years old. But going to the Temple Mount, the al-Aksa mosque stands." Israel is the only one that preserves the mosque," declared Netanyahu, saying that Islamic holy places were destroyed during the internal conflict in the Arab world. "We have witnessed a lot of changes since the last Congress, a lot of opportunities, a lot of challenges," the prime minister said. "Despite our efforts for peace we are in a campaign aimed at killing Israelis wherever they may be. We know the various attackers use Facebook to deliver messages and their intentions. We are fighting not only against physical attacks, but also attack against the truth." (IPOST 20 October 2015)